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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 23, 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR BOB HAYNES

SUBJECT:

DETAILED INFORMATION REGARDING  
INCOME SOURCES FOR REVOLUTIONARY  
GROUPS

The President has asked for a detailed breakdown of the income sources for the various revolutionary groups. He would like to have a listing of sources for such groups as the Black Panther Party, the New Mobilization, SDS, YSA, and other militant groups around the country.

What would be most helpful would be a designation of the group and then after that, a listing of its income sources in as detailed and specific a way as possible. It would be much appreciated if we could have this information by Thursday, February 26, 1970.

Thank you very much, Bob.

Egil Krogh, Jr.

Egil Krogh, Jr.  
Deputy Assistant to the President  
for Domestic Affairs

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Honorable Egil Krogh, Jr.  
Deputy Assistant to the President  
for Domestic Affairs  
The White House <sup>NEW LEFT MOVEMENT - FINANCY</sup>  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Krogh:

Pursuant to your request of February 23, 1970,  
there are enclosed 13 memoranda concerning sources of funds  
utilized by revolutionary groups.

Sincerely yours,

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**BLACK PANTHER PARTY**

The sources of income for the Black Panther Party (BPP) are many and varied. In the initial years of its existence from 1966 to 1969, one of its chief sources of income was the proceeds from criminal acts perpetrated by individual members who split with the Party. More recently, the chief source of funds for the BPP has been numerous and regular contributions from individuals, radical groups and sympathizers in the United States and overseas. These individual contributions have increased greatly since December, 1969.

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## BLACK PANTHER PARTY

Sizable donations are known to have been made to the BPP by several prominent individuals and personalities.

The BPP also receives income from the regular sale of its weekly newspaper and from the sale of revolutionary paraphernalia such as pamphlets, posters, buttons, and greeting cards.

Another source of income for the BPP is fees received for public speeches and appearances made by its representatives, particularly at institutions of learning. The fees received by its representatives for these appearances vary but have ranged as high as \$1,000 for a single appearance of BPP Chairman Bobby Seale. During 1969 representatives of the BPP made a total of 133 appearances at various institutions of learning.

Another source of income for the BPP is proceeds received from various public benefits and rallies held specifically for the purpose of raising money for the regular defense funds of the BPP established to pay legal expenses.

While no firm evidence has been developed to date, it is noted that there has been an increasing number of articles of a pro-Arab nature appearing in the BPP newspaper

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and every effort is being made to determine whether the Arabs are supporting the Black Panthers from a monetary standpoint. It is noted that Eldridge Cleaver, the DPP Minister of Information and a fugitive from justice, is presently residing in Arab territory and is supported by them.

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NATION OF ISLAM

Approximately 100 Temples or Mosques of this fanatical all-Negro cult exist in the United States today with a total membership in excess of 100,000. The membership supports this organization. Principal income is derived from membership dues, special membership assessments and from sale of its official publication "Muhammad Speaks."

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THE NEW MOBILIZATION COMMITTEE  
TO END THE WAR IN VIETNAM

The New Mobilization Committee to End the War in Vietnam (NMC) maintains its headquarters at 1029 Vermont Avenue, Suite 900, Northwest, Washington, D. C. It also maintains an office at 17 East Seventeenth Street, New York City.

The NMC is not an individual membership organization. It is a coalition of many organizations which are located throughout the United States. These organizations include the Communist Party, Socialist Workers Party, Women Strike for Peace, Chicago Peace Council, Los Angeles Peace Action Council, Student Mobilization Committee to End the War in Vietnam, and the American Friends Service Committee.

NMC's primary function at the present time is to protest the United States intervention in Vietnam.

The NMC receives financial support in the form of donations from sympathetic individuals and organizations.

In September, 1969, it was reported that the following individuals were described as being among the principal individual financial donors to the NMC:

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THE NEW MOBILIZATION COMMITTEE TO END THE WAR IN VIETNAM

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PROGRESSIVE LABOR PARTY

The Progressive Labor Party (PLP) is an active communist party in the United States which adheres to the revolutionary doctrine of the Chinese Communist Party and its leader Mao Tse-tung. Funds for the PLP are obtained from dues paid by members of the organization.

The PLP also derives income from the sale of its magazine "Progressive Labor," and its monthly newspaper "Challenge." PLP has forwarded bulk mailings of these publications directly to Peking, China, in the past. The PLP in January, 1970, printed 25,000 copies of "Challenge," and in February, 1970, 14,000 issues of "Progressive Labor."

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REPUBLIC OF NEW AFRICA

The Republic of New Africa (RNA), a black extremist, separatist organization, was formed in Detroit, Michigan, in March, 1968.

RNA activity has been curtailed from its inception by lack of funds.

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YOUNG SOCIALIST ALLIANCE

The Young Socialist Alliance (YSA) is the youth organization of the Socialist Workers Party (SWP) and has been described by the SWP as the main recruiting ground for the SWP.

A YSA publication in an article outlining the organizational concepts of the YSA states that the membership and each local chapter are responsible for financial support to the organization through such activities as payment of minimal dues based on ability to pay, literature sales and fund raising projects.

The YSA is subsidized by the SWP which furnishes varying amounts of money to the YSA on a continuing basis.

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STUDENT MOBILIZATION COMMITTEE TO  
END THE WAR IN VIETNAM

The Student Mobilization Committee to End the War in Vietnam (SMC) is controlled and dominated by the Young Socialist Alliance (YSA) which is the youth organization of the Socialist Workers Party (SWP). The SMC has local chapters in all sections of the United States and affords the YSA a broad base organization for popular support.

The SMC local activity is financed by the individual chapter concerned and in turn these local groups contribute toward the expenses of any national action sponsored or supported by the SMC. The local chapters organize their own fund raising projects and are assisted by contributions from their members and supporters.

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**STUDENT NATIONAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE**

The Student National Coordinating Committee is a black extremist nonmembership organization which was founded in 1960 and which until July, 1969, was known as the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee. The group is currently led by H. Rap Brown who serves as National Chairman.

The organization is currently active in Atlanta, Georgia; Cincinnati, Ohio; and New York City. The organization's national office is located in New York City where it maintains an office provided by the Saint Peter's Episcopal Church at 336 West 20th Street. The group operates nationally with less than 50 members and is consistently reported to be in dire financial condition.

Additional revenue is obtained through the payment of dues by Student National Coordinating Committee affiliates and recently efforts have been made by the New York organization to publish a news bulletin entitled "National SNCC" which it is intended would sell for 35¢ a copy. Publication of this news letter has not met with success and to date only one issue is known to have appeared.

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STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY

Weatherman Faction

Weatherman national leaders, such as William Ayers, Mark Rudd, and Jeffrey Jones, since their election as Students for a Democratic Society (SDS) national secretaries in June, 1969, have appeared as speakers on a number of college campuses throughout the country. They have received honorariums from these colleges ranging from \$200 to \$750 for their speaking engagements.

This faction is and has been in severe financial crisis since late Fall of 1969. Because of its violent and militant activities, former sources of funds are no longer available.

Weatherman members live in residences called "collectives," and the rent they pay usually is very nominal. Weatherman members, because they are in severe financial straits, often receive money from their parents to help defray expenses. Most of the time, however, members of the collectives move frequently from one place to another to avoid paying rent. The individuals in the various collectives take almost daily trips to "liberate" (steal) whatever they need, such as food, clothing, and housewares, at local supermarkets and other stores.

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**Worker Student Alliance Faction**

This faction of SDS has obtained operating funds through the sale of literature and requests for donations through its publication, "New Left Notes." Donations amounting to from \$1 to \$50 have been received from many Worker Student Alliance (WSA) members located throughout the United States.

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The WSA faction recently has held National Council meetings in New Haven, Connecticut, and Los Angeles, California. The rental fees for the auditoriums where the meetings were held were given donations from delegates, who paid sums ranging from \$5 to \$15. It was stressed at both meetings by WSA leaders that this faction is in dire need of funds with which to operate.

## Revolutionary Youth Movement Faction

This faction of SDS has no operating funds on a national level at this time. Local Revolutionary Youth Movement (RYM) chapters operate on their own, and any funds they need come from local members. During the Fall of 1969, Michael Sicosky, considered to be one of the top leaders of this faction, made a number of speeches on college campuses where he received honorariums averaging \$250 for each engagement.

## Cambridge Iron and Steel Company

The Cambridge Iron and Steel Company, Cambridge, Massachusetts, was created in early 1969 to support such organizations as SDS in the Cambridge and Boston areas.

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## UNDERGROUND PUBLICATIONS

The New Left relies heavily on printed propaganda. The New Left has an enormous propaganda mill churning out publications demeaning the "Establishment" and glamorizing the "rebels." There are over 200 New Left underground newspapers published on a regular basis in the United States.

The central theme which pervades these papers is a criticism of the "Establishment" in general and law enforcement, the draft, and the Vietnam War in particular. Featured articles are aimed primarily at the "beatnik types" and morbidly curious who may be intrigued by the activities of the New Left. Also featured are obscene photographs and psychedelic drawings as well as announcements of interest to sex deviates and hallucinatory drug users. Youth, particularly students, are the main target of these publications, which are effective vehicles for agitation and recruitment in that they reach a large portion of the student population.

For the most part, the underground papers are in poor financial condition and often miss publication dates due to a lack of funds. Papers circulated in large urban areas are usually solvent, while those in university communities are struggling to keep in business. Generally, funds are received from advertising, subscriptions, donations, and benefits. Volunteer labor is used in most instances.

Attempts by New Left leaders to unite these underground papers into some type of network have been unsuccessful to date, since there are no concrete political philosophies agreeable to all. While the editors share similar goals, they diverge widely as to the means. However, over 100 underground papers are affiliated with the radical Liberation News Service which provides news packets concerning New Left activities.

In a few instances, authorities have prosecuted publishers for printing obscene material. However, minor fines or probation have been the general result and have been offset by an increase in the paper's circulation.

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VENCEREMOS BRIGADE

The Venceremos Brigade (VB) was organized in June, 1969, for the purpose of supporting the Cuban revolution by assisting in the current sugar cane harvest. It is headquartered in New York City and is composed of the National Executive Committee, regional recruiters and the brigade members who travel to Cuba. The Executive Committee is composed of individuals representing a variety of New Left groups, which groups have also provided organizational support. To date a total of 782 individuals have been identified as having traveled to Cuba under VB auspices.

With regard to finances, the VB Executive Committee instructed the regional recruiters that each region would be responsible for raising travel funds for transportation of participants to , at which points the Cuban Government would assume financial responsibility. All excess funds were to be sent to the national office.

Money to support travel expenses was obtained through various fund raising affairs sponsored by the organizations lending support to the VB. These projects included bazaars, film showings, and coffees. In addition, information has been developed disclosing that each traveler provided his own funds for transportation and incidental expenses, and in some instances they were arbitrarily assessed a proportionate amount to cover the travel expenses for those without funds.

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## **SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY**

The Trotskyist Socialist Workers Party (SWP) is headquartered in New York City and is the largest and most active of the communist splinter groups. Through its youth affiliate, the Young Socialist Alliance (YSA), the SWP exerts control over the Student Mobilization Committee to End the War in Vietnam (SMC), a broad-based student antiwar group. The SWP also maintains fraternal ties with the Fourth International, a European Trotskyist organization.

Its primary source of funds is the monthly sustainer of fifteen dollars extracted from each member. In addition, monies are also realized from the sale of publications, collections in support of SWP political candidates, street collections at large public rallies, and through the control of front organizations

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